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Rin™ - September 30, 2012, 9:49 am

Step 1 – New Document

Create a new document in photoshop with a transparent background 512x512px

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[img]http://drawingclouds.com/dC_Files/Tutorials/Folder_Dock_Icon/Step_01.jpg[/img]

Step 2 – Front

Select the Rounded Rectangle Tool (U), with 15px radius and draw a shape like below,

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[img]http://drawingclouds.com/dC_Files/Tutorials/Folder_Dock_Icon/Step_021.jpg[/img]

Step 3 – Drop Shadow

Apply a drop shadow to the Front layer, Layer – Layer Style – Drop Shadow or double click the layer and in the blending options choose drop shadow, set the values like this:

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[img]http://drawingclouds.com/dC_Files/Tutorials/Folder_Dock_Icon/Step_031.jpg[/img]

Step 4 – Back

Create two new shapes with the Rounded Rectangle Tool with 10px radius

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[img]http://drawingclouds.com/dC_Files/Tutorials/Folder_Dock_Icon/Step_043.jpg[/img]

Merge the two layers by selecting both of them and Right Click – Merge Layers, name the layer Back. Apply a drop shadow to the Back layer like we did in Step 3 with those values:

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[img]http://drawingclouds.com/dC_Files/Tutorials/Folder_Dock_Icon/Step_041.jpg[/img]

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[img]http://drawingclouds.com/dC_Files/Tutorials/Folder_Dock_Icon/Step_042.jpg[/img]

Step 5 – Customization

Choose an Image or a logo you'd like on your folder, I've choose a Firefox image : Here
Open your image in photoshop and drag it in your document, place it and scale it (Ctrl+T) where you want, duplicate the image layer. Take one of the image layers and place it in on top of the Front layer, make a selection of the Front layer, Ctrl+Left Click on the little thumbnail in the layer panel or Select – Load Selection. Select the image layer and create a layer mask Layer – Layer Mask –

Reveal Selection, name this layer Front Image.

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[img]http://drawingclouds.com/dC_Files/Tutorials/Folder_Dock_Icon/Step_051.jpg[/img]

Select the other image layer we duplicated before and repeat the same process with the Back layer. Name the layer Back Image

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[img]http://drawingclouds.com/dC_Files/Tutorials/Folder_Dock_Icon/Step_052.jpg[/img]

Step 6 – Text

Just add some text on the top; I've put Firefox using a font called Cooper Std with 36px.

Step 7 – Reflection

To add a little glow you can do a reflection of your folder, to do that select all the layers and duplicate them. Merge all the duplicated layers you'll have one layer name it Reflection. Rotate it 180° and go to Edit – Transform – Flip Horizontal. Drag the reflection just under the folder and create a layer mask on it Layer – Layer Mask – Reveal All. Then select the gradient tool going from black to white and make a gradient starting in the bottom going a little bit further than the reflection, make sure the layer mask is selected.

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[img]http://drawingclouds.com/dC_Files/Tutorials/Folder_Dock_Icon/Step_071.jpg[/img]

Step 8 – Saving

When you're finished save your folder to a PNG File, make sure your background is transparent when you save it

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Do?s?Equis - September 30, 2012, 10:02 am

Wow, really nice, thanks for sharing!

PANDAsQUAD - September 30, 2012, 10:03 am

Nice tutorial bro, keep it up, nice Firefox folder. :)

Kenny West - September 30, 2012, 5:50 pm

Nice tutorial, by Dock, do you mean the Mac's dock?

MyLittlePony - October 2, 2012, 1:47 pm

Very neat.

Never thought of doing something like this.

Wouldn't waist my time for it but when I make some more programs I'll definitely do something like this.

MUT4NT - October 3, 2012, 11:02 pm

very useful tutorial, thanks for sharing!

Rin™ - October 18, 2012, 8:13 pm

(Oct 3, 2012 11:02 PM)MUT4NT Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) very useful tutorial, thanks for sharing!
Glad you think so :D and of course my frined i try my hardest to give to the community

Staid - October 18, 2012, 8:48 pm

Thats a nice tutorial indeed, thanks for sharing man.

Rin™ - October 18, 2012, 9:18 pm

(Oct 18, 2012 08:48 PM)Staid Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Thats a nice tutorial indeed, thanks for sharing man.
thank you friend and but of course anything for the community ?

Text - October 23, 2012, 12:17 am

Sorry if I sound like a noob, but in the first shape, it shows that the shape has curves in the edge of it (Best I can think of explaining). How do you do that? Thanks.